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FOR AMBASSADOR HAYNES FROM BISHOP

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PDIP, AG, US

SUBJECT: GOALS IN RELATIONS WITH ALGERIA

1. PRESIDENT CARTER HAS ASKED THAT A "CONCISE LIST OF SPECIFIC TASKS OR GOALS TO BE ACHIEVED" BY AMBASSADORS BE DRAWN UP FOR A NUMBER OF COUNTRIES. ALGERIA IS AMONG COUNTRIES WHICH CURRENTLY ARE SUBJECT THIS EXERCISE. THE INTENTION IS TO FOCUS UPON SPECIFIC POLICY OBJECTIVES OVER A TWO YEAR PERIOD AND TO INDICATE WHETHER REQUIRED ACTION IS PRESIDENTIAL, DEPARTMENTAL OR FIELD, OR SOME COMBINATION OF THESE.

2. WE INTEND TO RELY HEAVILY UPON THE EMBASSY'S PARM SUB-MISSION (ALGIERS 787) AS A BASIS FOR PREPARING THE LIST BUT WANT TO MAKE OUR GOALS MORE SPECIFIC. AREAS UPON WHICH WE BELIEVE IT MIGHT BE APPROPRIATE TO FOCUS INCLUDE THE
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FOLLOWING:

-- ESTABLISHMENT OF CLOSER TIES WITH THE ALGERIAN MILITARY THROUGH EXCHANGES OF INFORMATION, VISITS, ACCESS TO U.S. TRAINING PROGRAMS AND, POSSIBLY, APPROVAL FOR SALE OF NON-LETHAL MILITARY EQUIPMENT TO ALGERIA.

-- ESTABLISHMENT OF CLOSER TIES WITH OTHER GROUPS IN
ALGERIAN SOCIETY, SUCH AS THE LABOR UNIONS.

-- EFFORTS TO IMPROVE THE CLIMATE FOR U.S. BUSINESSMEN
OPERATING IN ALGERIA.

-- EXPANSION OF CULTURAL CONTACTS IN THE CONTEXT OF THE
CULTURAL AGREEMENT UNDER NEGOTIATION.

-- A CONTINUED AND EXPANDING DIALOGUE ON ISSUES OF MUTUAL
INTEREST SUCH AS THE MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH-SOUTH QUESTIONS.

-- UTILIZATION OF THE BOUMEDIENE VISIT AND EVENTS
SURROUNDING IT TO INCREASE AND SOLIDIFY ACCESS TO ALGERIAN
GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS.

-- EXPEDITION OF CONSIDERATION OF PENDING ALGERIAN LNG
CONTRACTS.

-- ENCOURAGEMENT OF CONTINUED EXIM ACTIVITY IN ALGIERS.

-- CONTINUED PRESSURE FOR RESOLUTION OF OUTSTANDING CLAIMS.

3. I WOULD APPRECIATE ANY COMMENTS OR SUGGESTIONS YOU MAY
HAVE WITH RESPECT TO THE ABOVE POINTS OR OTHER AREAS UPON
WHICH YOU BELIEVE ATTENTION SHOULD BE FOCUSED. IN ORDER
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